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Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on October 4, 2000 in connection with the above-captioned patent application and in accordance with Rules 142 and 143 of the Rules of Practice, please consider the following remarks. Applicants submit herewith a Petition for Extension of Time for a period of five months, from November 4, 2000 to April 4, 2001, accompanied by the appropriate fee.

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